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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7704**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1450

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 8, 2005

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Record of Teachers Charged With Child Molesting Who Resign.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Duncan

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill requires each school corporation and the Department of Education to create and maintain a record that includes the names of teachers who resign to avoid termination for child molesting.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2005.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *Summary:* Under the bill, the Department would be charged to maintain a filing system or database of teachers resigned to avoid charges brought by their school corporation for child molestation.

The Department currently maintains over 600 SQL databases with school data ranging from attendance/dropout to expulsions/suspensions for each public school corporation in the state. Included are several sex-offender and employee databases. It is likely the Department would be able to create the proposed database or similar filing system within existing resources.

*Background:* As of September 7, 2004, the Department of Education had 263 full-time staff members. For FY 2005, the Department has 272 budgeted full-time positions, 10 budgeted temporary positions, and 36 budgeted intermittent positions. The Department reverted \$4.3 M back to the state General Fund in FY 2004.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** School corporations would be required to biannually submit teacher's names to the Department that were employed by the corporation and resigned to avoid a charge of child molestation. School corporations would likely be able to carry out this provision within existing resources.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Education.

**Local Agencies Affected:** School corporations.

**Information Sources:** State of Indiana *HRM Detail Staffing Report 9/07/2004*; Indiana State Budget Agency BUDSTARS; State Budget Agency: *General Fund, Property Tax Replacement Fund, Rainy Day Fund, Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2004, And Summaries*.

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